

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the Abstract with the following paragraph:

In implementing an interactive voice response mechanism, a communication device establishes a communication connection with an application server. Application logic on the communication device, which may pre-exist on the device or be downloaded from the application server, defines at least one voice response application. The communication device includes a processor that operates to execute the application logic and locally administer the voice response application. Therefore, the voice response application is executed on the communication device instead of in a centralized interactive voice response unit (IVR).